



Media Advisory

Maryland National Guard



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- Who:** Chaplains from the Maryland Military Department are conducting training for combat in Iraq or Afghanistan
- What:** More than 15 Chaplains from the Maryland Army National Guard, Air National Guard and the Maryland Defense Force are training to provide religious services as a non-combatant in a combat environment.
- Where:** The Weinberg Center
Camp Fretterd
13620 Desert Storm Lane
Reisterstown, Md. 21136-4599
- When:** February 10, 2005
1 p.m. to 3 p.m.
- Why:** The training that the Chaplains will be receiving is based on lessons learned from other Chaplains that have served in Iraq and Afghanistan. Chaplains do not carry weapons and are non-combatants. Chaplains in the military have a unique role to provide religious services wherever the soldiers and airmen are serving. A deployed Chaplain from the Maryland Army National Guard called from Iraq to recommend this type of training.
- Visuals:** The media is welcome to film and interview the Chaplains.